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## **FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

### **Information Collection Being Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 - 3520), the Federal Communications Commission invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s). Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**. If you anticipate that you will be submitting PRA comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the FCC contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, via fax at 202-395-5167 or via Internet at [Nicholas\\_A.\\_Fraser@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov) and to Benish Shah, Federal Communications Commission, via the Internet at [Benish.Shah@fcc.gov](mailto:Benish.Shah@fcc.gov). To submit your PRA comments by email send them to: [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Benish Shah, Office of Managing Director, (202) 418-7866.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**OMB Approval Number:** 3060-1113.

**Title:** Commercial Mobile Alert System (CMAS).

**Form No:** N/A.

**Type of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents:** 1,253 respondents; 3,759 responses.

**Estimated Time per Response:** 30 minutes (.5 hour).

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion reporting requirement.

**Obligation to Respond:** Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained 47 U.S.C. sections 151, 154(i), 154(j), 154(o), 218, 219, 230, 256, 302(a), 303(g), 303(j), 303(r), 403, 621(b)(3), and 621(d).

**Total Annual Burden:** 28,193 hours.

**Total Annual Costs:** N/A.

**Privacy Impact Assessment:** N/A.

**Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:** There is no need for confidentiality.

**Needs and Uses:** This collection will be submitted as an extension (no change in reporting requirements) during the comment period to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to obtain OMB approval for an extension because on August 7, 2008, the FCC released a *Third Report and Order* in PS Docket No. 07-287, FCC 08-184 (*CMAS Third R&O*).

The *CMAS Third R&O* implements provisions of the Warning, Alert and Response Network (“WARN”) Act, including inter alia, a requirement that within 30 days of release of the *CMAS Third R&O*, each Commercial Mobile Service (CMS) provider must file an election with the Commission indicating whether or not it intends to transmit emergency alerts as part of the Commercial Mobile Alert System (CMAS). The *CMAS Third R&O* noted that this filing requirement was subject to OMB review and approval. The Commission received “pre-approval” from the OMB on February 4, 2008. The Commission began accepting CMAS election filings on or before September 8, 2008.

All CMS providers are required to submit a CMAS election, including those that were not licensed at the time of the initial filing deadline with the FCC. In addition, any CMS provider choosing to withdraw its election must notify the Commission at least sixty (60) days prior to the withdrawal of its election. The information collected will be the CMS provider’s contact information and its election, i.e., a “yes” or “no”, on whether it intends to provide commercial

mobile service alerts.

The Commission will use the information collected to meet its statutory requirement under the WARN Act to accept licensees' election filings and to establish an effective CMAS that will provide the public with effective mobile alerts in a manner that imposes minimal regulatory burdens on affected entities.

Federal Communications Commission.

Gloria J. Miles,

Federal Register Liaison,

Office of the Secretary,

Office of Managing Director.

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